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In the application of:

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RESPONSE TO RESTRICTION REQUIREMENT WITH AMENDMENT

Assistant Commissioner for Patents
Washington, D.C. 20231

Dear Sir:

This is in response to an Office Action mailed March 28, 2001, time for response to which was set to expire April 28, 2001. Accordingly, a Petition for a one month extension of time is included herewith, extending the time for response to May 29, 2001 because May 28, 2001 was a federal holiday.

In the interest of assisting the Examiner and better tailoring the claims for reasons related to business considerations, Applicants respectfully provide the following amended claims and traverse the Restriction because the asserted basis for the Restriction are either insufficient or no